

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

TERRANCE PATTERSON, Petitioner, v. JEFFREY CROTHERS, <i>et al.</i> Respondents.	Civil Action No. 25-2599 (GC) <u>MEMORANDUM & ORDER</u>
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CASTNER, District Judge

Petitioner is a state prisoner currently incarcerated at New Jersey State Prison, Trenton, New Jersey. He is proceeding *pro se* with a petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (“Section 2254”). (ECF No. 1 (“Petition”).)

Petitioner did not submit the five-dollar filing fee for a habeas petition, *see* 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a), or apply to proceed *in forma pauperis* (“IFP”).

IT IS, therefore, on this day 4th of June, 2025, **ORDERED** as follows:

ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shall administratively terminate this case, without filing the Petition; Petitioner is informed that administrative termination is not a “dismissal” for purposes of the statute of limitations, and that if the case is reopened, it is not subject to the statute of limitations time bar if it was originally filed timely, *see Papotto v. Hartford Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 731 F.3d 265, 275 (3d Cir. 2013) (distinguishing administrative terminations from dismissals); *Jenkins v. Superintendent of Laurel Highlands*, 705 F.3d 80, 84 n.2 (3d Cir. 2013) (describing prisoner mailbox rule generally); *Dasilva v. Sheriff’s Dep’t.*, 413 F. App’x 498, 502

(3rd Cir. 2011) (per curiam) (“[The] statute of limitations is met when a [motion] is submitted to the clerk before the statute runs . . .”); and it is further

ORDERED that if Petitioner wishes to reopen this case, he shall so notify the Court, in a writing addressed to the Clerk of the Court, Clarkson S. Fisher Building & U.S. Courthouse, 402 East State Street, Trenton, NJ 08608, within 30 days of the date of entry of this Memorandum and Order; Petitioner’s writing shall include either (i) a complete IFP application or (ii) the five-dollar filing fee; and it is further

ORDERED that upon receipt of a writing from Petitioner stating that he wishes to reopen this case, and either a complete IFP application or payment of the filing fee within the time allotted by this Court, the Clerk of the Court will be directed to reopen this case; and it is further

ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shall serve a copy of this Memorandum and Order and a blank form DNJ-Pro Se-007-B-(Rev. 09/09) upon Petitioner by regular U.S. mail.



GEORGETTE CASTNER
United States District Judge